

Guide to Stockton Trees



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Coast Redwood, *Sequoia sempervirens*
Angel Cruz Park
El Dorado at Lincoln

Spring

Whether it's airy pink and white blooms you're looking for, or just tender green shoots bursting out all over, Spring is a great time to enjoy Stockton's trees.

Springtime isn't just about pretty flowers blooming in their beds. Blooms explode on a variety of trees, too. Many trees only bloom for a short time. These trees can provide an unexpected boost to the day as Stockton shakes off the winter doldrums.

In addition to the more familiar pastels of flowering plums and pear trees, Stockton features Purple Robe Locusts with dramatic magenta color, as well as the more familiar fuchsia of the summer-blooming Crape Myrtle.



Evergreen Pear, *Pyrus kawakamii*
3600 Wood Duck Circle (median)

The Evergreen Pear features glossy oval, pointed leaves and masses of clustered white flowers in winter and early spring. This species can also be a shrub. To grow as a tree, one or more branches is staked until the trunk is self-supporting.

GREAT SPRING TREE LOCATIONS

Cherry Plum

Prunus cerasifera

- 3100 W. March Lane (median)
- 7100 Block, N. El Dorado Street

Flowering Pear

Pyrus calleryana

'Red Spire'
'Bradford'
'Chanticleer'

- Hunter Square, E. Weber Avenue
- 3100 W. March Lane (median)
- 1200-2400 W. Eighth Street
- 4800-6200 West Lane (east side)



Cherry Plum, *Prunus cerasifera*

- 3800 Quail Lakes Drive

There are nearly a dozen cultivars of Flowering Plum trees. Their leaves range from dark green to reddish purple and in some cases, leaves gradually burnish to a coppery bronze in the late summer. In the spring, these trees bloom in a profusion of pink to pinkish-white flowers. Many bear small yellow to red fruit; some of which are quite tart. Most Flowering Plums planted in landscaping bear no fruit.

Fall

The most well known of tree watching seasons is fall. With so many species in Stockton's urban forest, the colors in our community can be truly exceptional.

Every year's fall colors are unique, since temperature, moisture and wind contribute to the amount and brilliance of the colors each season. Yellows and golds become evident as chlorophyll dies and reveals the pigments of yellow, orange and brown that are always present in leaves. The reds and purples in leaves are more brilliant when there is a sugary sap in the leaves and lots of light. The brightest colors come when there are bright, sunny days and chilly nights with no frost.



Chinese Pistache, *Pistacia chinensis*

- Hammer Lane at Misty Lane

A favorite Stockton street tree, older Chinese Pistaches are dense and shapely and reach up to 60-feet. These trees do not require watering throughout the summer. Each fall, Chinese Pistache foliage colors beautifully in scarlet, crimson, orange and yellow. The city plants male grafts which do not bear messy berries.

GREAT FALL TREE LOCATIONS

Chinese Pistache

Pistacia chinensis

- 2100 Ferndale Drive
- McLeod Lake Park, 400 N. Center Street
- 100-200 Paragon Avenue
- 8100-8300 N. El Dorado Street

Ginkgo

Ginkgoaceae

- 8400 Burns Place
- N. San Joaquin Street (at Vine)

Liquidambar

L. styraciflua

- 1500 Burnside Way
- 5000-6000 West Lane (west side)

Sour Gum

Nyssa sylvatica

- 5300-5500 N. El Dorado Street

Modesto Ash

Fraxinus velutina

- 100-400 E. Robinhood Drive
- 800-1200 Mariposa Avenue
- 800-1200 Monterey Avenue
- 600-800 Mendocino Avenue

Raywood Ash

Fraxinus angustifolia

- 1700-1900 Santa Fe Drive
- 2500-2900 Waudman Avenue

Tulip Tree

Liriodendron tulipifera

- 100-300 Los Felis Avenue

Washington Hawthorne

Crataegus phaenopyrum

- 5600 N. El Dorado Street (west side)

Community Heritage Trees

Trees keep secrets and hold fast to pleasant childhood memories. Community heritage trees are those that make our neighborhoods unique, providing landmarks, huge plots of shade or limbs big enough to imagine living in.

Many of our community trees have outlasted the original residents of the neighborhood. Others remind us of far-off places and the immigrants that may have brought them.

These trees are treasured by the community for their size and unique shapes. By municipal code, certain heritage trees are protected from disfigurement, destruction and



Valley Oak, Bainbridge and Estate Drive
Quercas lobata

removal without a city permit. These include Valley Oak, Coast Live Oak and Interior Live Oak that are within city limits on public or private property with a trunk diameter of over 16 inches two feet above the ground.

Community Heritage Tree Locations

Deodar Cedar

Cedrus deodara

- City Hall, 425 N. El Dorado Street

Canary Island Date Palm

Phoenix canariensis

- 1300 N. Yosemite Street (median)

California Fan Palm

Washingtonia filifera

- 1200 W. Vernal Way

Southern Magnolia

Magnolia grandiflora

- 7000 Bridgeport Circle
- 3646 and 3711 N. Monitor Circle

Italian Stone Pine

Pinus pinea

- Swenson Golf Course, 2500 W. Benjamin Holt

Coast Redwood

Sequoia sempervirens

- Anderson Park, Benjamin Holt at EL Dorado

Fern Pine

Podocarpus gracilior

- Lafayette and South El Dorado (NE corner)

Giant Sequoia

Sequoiadendron giganteum

- McLeod Lake Park, Center and Fremont Streets

Camphor

Cinnamomum camphora

- 1495 Argonne Drive

Great Streetscape Locations

Valley Oak

Quercus lobata

- 7500 Parkwoods Drive
- Oak Park, E. Alpine Avenue

London Plane Tree

Platanus acerifolia

'Bloodgood'

- 1000 River Oaks Drive
- 3000 Brookside Road

Japanese Zelkova

Zelkova serrata

- 100-400 W. Mayfair Avenue

Crape Myrtle

Lagerstroemia indica

- 5500 Feather River Drive
- City Hall, 425 N. El Dorado

Coast Live Oak

Quercus agrifolia

- Oak Park (Alpine)
- Weber Park (Park and Van Buren)



Italian Stone Pine, *Pinus pinea*

W. Benjamin Holt Drive
(south side of Swenson Park Golf Course)

Most Stockton thoroughfares are distinct because of the trees that line them. Some tower across older streets, shading entire blocks from the hot summer sun.

Other streetscapes feature leaner trees that blossom in the spring and show bursts of color in the fall.

They're simply trees, but streetscapes can conjure up thoughts of faraway places, or places in time. Street trees provide shade for care-free children playing and make neighborhoods a sanctuary for families to enjoy the outdoors.

More Community Heritage Locations...

Chinese Hackberry

Celtis sinensis

- 7500-7600 Alexandria Place
- 3000 Bonnie Lane



California Fan Palm, West Vernal Way
Washingtonia filifera

TREE MAP LEGEND

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HERITAGE




Fall colors on young trees at the Dean DeCarli Waterfront Square, Weber Avenue and Center Street.

For a copy of the map, contact susan.christy@ci.stockton.ca.us



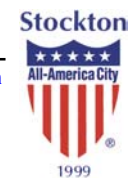
Stockton celebrated its 21st year as a Tree City USA in 2002.

Picked by readers of *Sunset* magazine as one of the Best Places to Live in the West in 2002, Stockton's urban forest was featured in one issue as "*Best Tree City.*"

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